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## DEP study finds Augusta neighborhood downwind of asphalt plant is exposed to its smell, but not toxic levels of chemicals

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The air downwind of a controversial Augusta asphalt plant is within acceptable health standards, according to a report released last week by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection.

But DEP monitors also noted that residents of a downwind neighborhood are forced to endure the smell of hot asphalt. The Augusta situation is frequently cited by opponents of a plan, currently in front of the Bethel Planning Board, to relocate an existing asphalt plant across the North Road.

They have expressed concerns about both the smell (and its impact not only on quality of life, but also the town's economy) and possibly carcinogenic emissions.

After two postponements, the Bethel plan was back on the agenda for the board's regular meeting Wednesday, but a vote on it is still some way off.

"The plan has not even been found complete," said Plan-

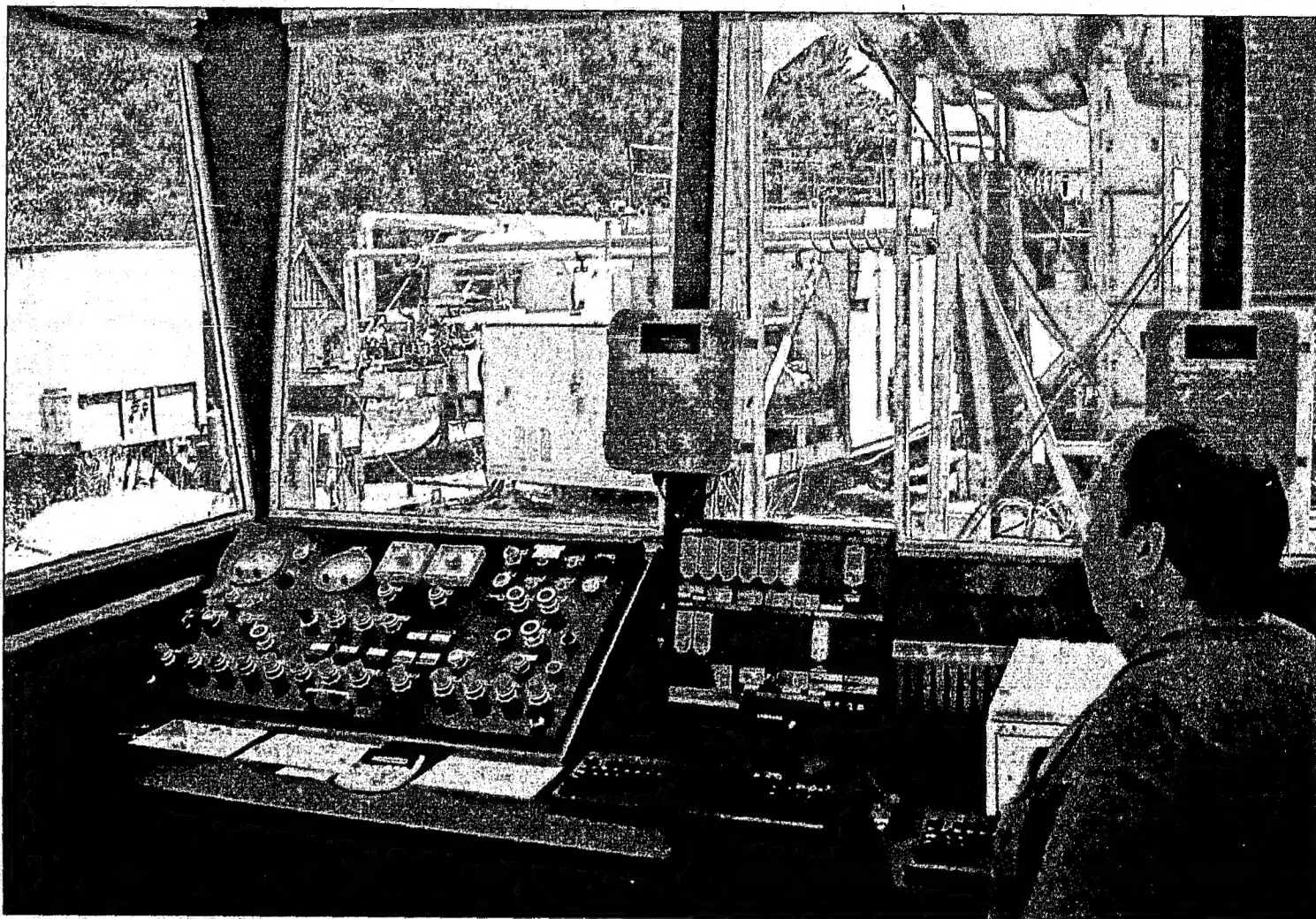
ning Assistant Vicki Rackliffe.

The DEP report summarizes the Augusta situation as follows: "In the summer of 2010, residents of the Grandview neighborhood in Augusta, Maine lodged complaints with the Bureau of Air Quality regarding asphalt odors and requested that the Bureau conduct air quality monitoring in their neighborhood to evaluate concentrations of toxic air pollutants. The Bureau identified naphthalene and xylene as representative of odorous asphalt emissions, and established a monitoring program for those and several other toxic compounds. The Bureau did not find any compounds in excess of the Maine Center for Disease Control's ambient air guidelines when odor was present except acrolein, which exceeds guideline levels statewide. Concentrations of toxic air pollutants measured in the neighborhood

### North Road plan must meet Bethel Code's sniff test.

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**MIX MASTER**—Mike Grover of Watford on duty in the control room of Bruce Manzer's hot-mix plant on the North Road, in a photo taken last summer (the plant has since been disassembled and is in storage, pending the outcome of Manzer's application to relocate it across the road, to the site of the Coleman Concrete plant). From the control room, Manzer said, "Mike has full control over the hot mix plant inside the control room. He monitors plant production (tons per hour) and can change the type of material that is being made (shim, surface, base, etc.), the temperature of the material, and loading of the trucks. He can adjust burner controls (temperature), the baghouse and its efficiency (collects the particulate matter in the air stream), the cold feed bins (raw material coming in), the amount of recycled pavement being added, and the amount of asphalt going into the product. Those are the big-ticket items being scrutinized but there are other duties as well. The entire system is computer controlled and its performance recorded during the process."

(Photo: Don Bennett)

## 'Philbrook Boutique' and Food Pantry may soon be homeless

By SENECA CORRIEVEAU

The future of the District Exchange and Food Pantry in Bethel, serving the SAD 44 area, is now in the hands of the community.

This was the general consensus of the two dozen people who attended a meeting last Thursday of the Exchange Committee.

"This is not just a committee dilemma. We would like to call on the whole community to be involved to help us find a new place. Ideas are needed. People from all walks are invited here," said Dave Bean, director of the Food Pantry.

The meeting was precipitated by the recent decision by the SAD 44 Board of Directors to move the Superintendent's

Office from the former Ethel Bisbee School on Philbrook Street to leased space in the Norway Bank building on the Parkway.

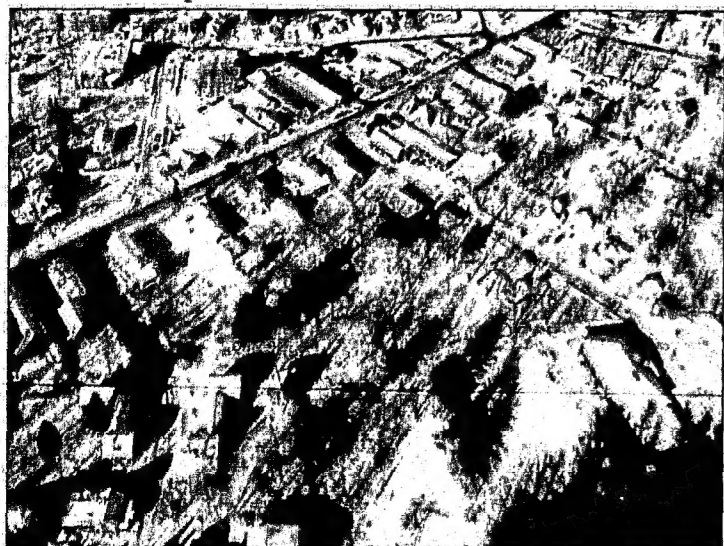
The school district plans to shut down the EBS building, and the exchange will need to relocate by the end of the summer.

### Volunteers now tackling job of finding new sites.

The land and building will at some point be returned to the town, since it belonged to the town prior to 1965, when the school district was formed.

The District Exchange and Food Pantry have occupied the basement of Ethel Bisbee since 1992, when a group, convened by then Bethel Town Manager Madeleine Henley,

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THE FORMER ETHEL BISBEE SCHOOL (lower right), provided a convenient, in-town location. (Photo: M. Daniels)

## PUC opens investigation into sale of Andover Water District land

By ALISON ALOISIO

The Maine Public Utilities Commission has opened an investigation into the sale of land last year by the Andover Water District.

Last April the PUC received a petition from Brian Mills and 17 other Andover residents objecting to AWD's sale, a year ago, of its former Stony Brook reservoir property for \$250,000. The land parcel is located on the Upton Road.

A quit claim deed dated March 4, 2010 at the Oxford County Registry of Deeds notes the AWD's sale of land on the west side of Stony Brook to Stony Brook Falls, LLC of Rumford.

Mills and another resident,

Sid Pew, claim the sale took place in violation of Maine statute governing the sale of water districts' land.

They have also argued that the sale happened without the approval of water district users, and that the town had maintained first refusal on the property by virtue of a 2000 town meeting vote to purchase the land for \$0.

**No longer water source**

The petition cited a state statute requiring that a municipality be given the right of first refusal to purchase water-district land "owned by that water utility for the purposes of providing a source of supply, storing water or protecting sources of supply or

water storage."

The petition also asked that the proceeds from the land sale be frozen and assigned to the town, with their use to be determined by voters at a town meeting.

But AWD Chairman Kevin Scott said in April that because the land is no longer used as a water source, the statute does not apply.

In the months since the petition was filed, documents regarding the issue have been submitted to the PUC by various parties in Andover.

The documents include an October 2009 letter from Scott to the PUC requesting it certify that the proposed sale did

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## Newry selectmen eye tighter municipal budget

By ALISON ALOISIO

After trimming the Newry Fire Department's budget request by \$20,000, Newry selectmen Monday settled on a draft 2011 municipal budget to present to voters next month.

The estimated amount of money to be raised from taxes would be \$822,890, compared to \$999,622 last year.

In advocating for a small-

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## Chicken-head hunter mist-netted, sent to owl rehab

By TERRY KARKOS, Sun Media Group

It took a few days, but state wildlife biologists on Sunday captured a barred owl that had been decapitating chickens inside a Bethel barn and flying off with their heads.

Wildlife biologist Chuck Hulse said the owl was taken on Monday to Avian Haven, a wildlife rehabilitator in Freedom.

"It was probably under a lot of stress and is going to rehab, which won't hurt it," Hulse said Tuesday.

He said the owl was killing about one chicken a day at a Bethel barn when he was notified of the situation.

"It was reported as a northern hawk owl, which is rare for here," Hulse

said. "They're a Canadian, southern Arctic Circle bird. Like snowy owls, they show up every now and then because there's a lack of food up north and they start pushing south."

Wildlife biologist Judy Camuso in Gray told Hulse that Maine has one or two sightings a year of northern hawk owls.

Despite the report, Camuso and Hulse said they believed the chicken "serial killer" was a barred owl.

Owls are having a tough time finding food because of deep snow and Saturday night's rain that froze atop the snow didn't help, Camuso said Tuesday.

"Owls don't have very good luck getting at their prey right now when there's such

a deep snowpack, and then you combine it with the rain we got that created a little ice pack on top of it, that makes it even harder for them," she said.

She said many animals that owls eat — such as red squirrels and voles — live under the snow.

"That's why many owls, particularly barred owls as they're so common, are being taken to wildlife rehabbers now," she said. "They end up hunting along roadsides and tend to get hit by cars."

They might also kill chickens, Camuso said.

"It's not a normal situation."

"Chickens are too large for a barred

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# Letters

## RAIL JAM REPORT

### To the Editor:

As promised, I attended the Rail Jam on Main Street on Jan. 27 to determine how things were going.

I found all the required volunteers in place directing traffic and generally making things work for this event. I was impressed with all the enthusiasm present and the superbly wholesome atmosphere that permeated this occasion.

To see so many young people having such a thoroughly good and positive time was both refreshing and exhilarating.

After two hours of watching things happen, I was convinced that this is indeed a very good thing for the town to accommodate and encourage, especially since it happens for just a few hours once a year!

As a selectman, I always try to be as positive as possible and see what can be worked out so that one group's activities will not seriously inconvenience or negatively affect others.

In this case, emergencies could easily have been handled and no one lost the use of or access to their business or residence. Balance has to be the name of the game and I was pleased that this arrangement appeared to be working so well.

Congratulations and thanks are due all those who made this special time possible for so many.

Stan Howe  
Bethel Selectman

## SAD44AIR FIRST-CLASS, FOR SOME

### To the Editor:

Once upon a time, though not so very long ago, there was a little airline called SAD44Air.

Like most airlines, this little airline offered both First Class service and Coach service.

The First Class passengers got more room than the Coach passengers, and there were fewer First Class passengers per flight attendant than there were in Coach.

Of course, it cost SAD44Air a lot more to provide this First Class service.

There were two strange things, though, that made SAD44Air different from most airlines.

For one thing, only those passengers that lived in towns that were far away from the airport got to ride First Class; everybody else had to ride Coach. The other thing was that the First Class passengers paid the very same fare that the Coach passengers paid.

And then, one day a terrible thing, an unthinkable thing, happened — SAD44Air lost its government subsidy!

It would have to cut some expenses in order to stay in business. Its board of directors met to consider what expenses could be cut.

Hey, I've got an idea," said one of the directors. "Why don't we eliminate First Class service, and just offer Coach service? We'd save lots of money by doing that."

Another director said, "That's not a bad idea, but why don't we ask our First Class passengers if they'd rather pay what it actually costs us to provide them with First Class service? If they did agree to pay more, then they would get to keep riding First Class and we wouldn't have to cut expenses so much."

Then a third director said, "Oh, let's not make our First Class passengers choose at all; that would make them unhappy. Instead, let's raise the cost of everybody's tickets, and keep our service the way it is. All of our passengers' fares are paid for by the towns, anyway. Most of the citizens in those towns don't even fly, so they don't pay close attention to what we do with their money. But if they do vote to refuse us, then we will have to ask our First Class passengers to make their choice."

Lo and behold, the directors voted to go with that third option. "We've done the noble thing," they said, "by letting the voters make our tough decisions for us." Yeah, right.

But do you know what, boys and girls? I can't tell you how this story ends, because it hasn't ended yet. The voters won't vote until June, and you can never be sure how voters are going to vote.

Scott Hynek  
Bethel

## BACK TO 'CANCER VALLEY' ?

### To the Editor:

I am a Bethel native and have recently purchased a home, in town, to enjoy the beauty and outdoor activities Bethel and surrounding areas have to offer to our family. I am not a legal resident, so this is my only voice.

One day in the fall as I was driving through the Steam Mill, into town, I thought my car was overheating. When I got to the house, I realized it wasn't my car but an eye-watering odor hanging over the town.

I did not know at the time about the plant, asked several friends and they said it was the "new plant" on the other side of the river.

I grew up near the river and remember the smell from the mills, fear of toxins, the Androscoggin not fit to even sit near and the debates about "cancer valley."

Do we really want this beautiful town to go backward in time? Our children have an amazing playground here; I hope that someone can ensure that it stays this way for years to come.

Annemarie Saunders Peck  
Stratham, N.H., and Bethel

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## CHOCOLATE FESTIVAL RETURNS

### To the Editor:

The Telstar Class of 2012 will be bringing back the Chocolate Festival on Sunday, Feb. 13, at the Bethel Inn Conference Center!

The class is using it as a fundraiser for hosting this year's prom. It will run from 2 to 4 p.m., with admission being \$5.

The Chocolate Festival consists of delicious chocolate desserts with coffee and cocoa, and we hope to see you there!

Sarah Southam and 2012 Class Officers:  
Britany Douglass, Kendra Carter, Adam Mahar and Ben Lewis

## AWD

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not require PUC authorization.

Scott said Monday, "The purpose of our letter was to inform them our intent to sell, as a courtesy to keep them informed. The PUC never responded to our letter."

Also included in the PUC file is a November 2009 letter AWD received from the Maine Drinking Water Program stating that it had no objections to the sale, and recommending AWD discuss the sale with the PUC, if trustees had not yet done so.

**Freezing funds, town notification**

Pew, in a May 2010 letter to the PUC regarding the use of the proceeds of the sale, said that the AWD board ignored the petition's request to freeze the funds, and instead used the money to pay off debt and buy water-monitoring and treatment equipment.

In April of last year Scott had said that the board planned to use the money for those purposes.

He also said then that in hindsight, he wished trustees had notified the town of the sale, but that the sale process had never been intended to be secretive.

As for the 2000 town-meeting vote, Scott said in April that the trustees, all relatively new to the board, had been unaware of it.

"We were focused on the rules [for making the sale]," he said, as well as on putting the AWD on more solid financial ground.

**Selectmen weigh in**  
In November of 2010 a PUC attorney wrote to the town's selectmen asking three questions: if they had been aware of the AWD's intent to sell the property; how, if at all, they were made aware; and whether there was any intention by the town to buy the land.

In response selectmen wrote that in the fall of 2009, former AWD Trustee Fred Detheridge "apparently" called the town office and spoke with the former town clerk, who then mentioned to two selectmen that the AWD was "thinking about selling some property."

There was no formal board discussion, according to the selectmen. They also said

there was no plan to buy the property, "since we weren't aware that a decision to buy the property needed to be made."

They also cited the 2000 town-meeting vote, noting the meeting minutes read, "After much discussion it was felt that by approving this article with a 0 amount, it would be telling the Water District that the town still was interested in exercising its first option purchase on the land."

Selectmen Trudy Akers and Keith Farrington signed the letter, but Susan Merrow did not. They also noted that Merrow is married to Scott, and that Akers had signed the complaint presented by Mills.

A followup letter from Detheridge, however, denied that he had ever called anyone at the town office to discuss the sale of AWD property.

Last week the PUC issued a Notice of Investigation, summarizing the complaint and concluding, "we find that sufficient grounds exist to warrant a formal investigation of these matters."

A footnote in the summary states that, regarding the complainants' request that the proceeds from the sale be frozen, "We are troubled that the district would think it proper to disburse the proceeds from the sale of the property after being informed of the complaint but prior to the resolution of this matter. However, we note that the proceeds were used appropriately to address the business of the district and the interests of ratepayers."

A case conference is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 23 at 10 a.m., at PUC offices in Augusta. It may be viewed by video on the commission's website at [www.maine.gov/mpuc](http://www.maine.gov/mpuc).

Said Scott Monday, "AWD was in contact with PUC throughout the process of selling the land and we are confident the case will be settled accordingly."

**State of AWD**  
On Monday Scott also described the current financial condition of AWD: "The effort to turn AWD around from its troubled past is one the recent AWD board members and current board members

take very seriously. AWD is in complete compliance with all PUC required financial and operational audit records for the first time in over seven years."

Last April AWD Superintendent Lucien Roberge (who is also superintendent for the Bethel Water District) described in a letter to the PUC his assessment of problems he had found in January 2009, after he was asked by the Drinking Water Program to check on the district:

"During that time I did an assessment of this district and found that AWD was on the edge of disaster. I also thought the Drinking Water program may have to take it over for the safety of the public. The online analytical equipment that monitors pH and chlorine were not functioning correctly. AWD uses 25 percent caustic soda as part of their treatment to adjust pH, and if not monitored correctly could be overdosed and cause burns. They had no idea if they were pumping too much into the system. The chlorine residual also could not be monitored to insure proper disinfection. AWD also had \$500 in the checking account, very limited records, less than half of fire fighting capabilities due to broken and frozen hydrants, one trustee and no licensed operator to run it safely."

"Today the district has three trustees and three capable operators to run operations and treatment safely. New online analytical equipment has been installed for proper monitoring of pH and chlorine. All fire hydrants are in working order and record keeping has never been better. AWD is on the road to recovery and functioning like a water district should."

In another issue trustees dealt with in that time period, the minutes of a January 2010 AWD meeting show they voted to give a December 2004 check made out to Rutgers University to the Oxford County Sheriff's Department for investigation. Minutes from an earlier board meeting said the check was in the amount of \$3,785, and that trustees could not find an invoice to back it up.

# Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson

**10 years ago:** The Bethel area was blanketed by a foot and a half of snow canceling school and leaving many residents trapped at home until a plow came to the rescue.

Robyn McInnis escaped serious injury when her car left Route 232, hit a snowbank and rolled over before coming to rest on its roof.

Hanover Postmaster Elaine Bonica announced her plan to retire at the end of February.

**Birth:** Abigail Marie Bernier.

**Deaths:** Lila G. Ellingwood, Margaret Lindquist, David L. Vaughn, Faye A. Gilman.

**20 years ago:** Mike Clark-Pelletier became Telstar High School's all-time leading basketball scorer after breaking the 1,000 point barrier, and Scott Haines' 1987 record of 921 points.

**Eighth-grader:** Kendra Hutchinson won the Telstar Middle School geography bee.

The second floor and attic of the home of Raymond Hutchins and family in Andover was gutted by fire.

**Births:** Elizabeth Delia Forkus, Korey Alan Morgan, Britany Lynn Moxcey.

**Deaths:** Elva K. Harding, C. Clayton Swan.

**30 years ago:** The Bethel Water District announced plans to upgrade 1,000 feet of its most troublesome water distribution mains in Bethel village and West Bethel during the summer of 1981.

Winners in the Cub Scout Pack 566 Pinewood Derby were: Aaron Conant, Michael Harrington, Travis Bachelder, and Jason Adams.

The musical "Now is the Time for All Good Men" was presented at Gould Academy.

**Births:** Nancy Beth Howes, Jamie Lynn Johnson.

**Death:** Annie E. Wilson.

**40 years ago:** Rodney E. Rowe was killed instantly when the car he was driving was struck by a Canadian National Railways freight train at the Pine Point crossing in Bryant Pond.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Meisner, Andover, were honored by approximately 150 family and friends at a surprise 50th anniversary celebration.

**Deaths:** Edla K. Durnell, Arthur P. Bucknam, Wayne Robert Perry, Rodney Rowe.

**50 years ago:** The Bethel Inn was one of 1,700 vacation places in North America to receive national recognition in the 1961 edition of the Duncan Hines travel book "Vacation Guide."

**Birth:** Roxanne Jean Brdwn. **Deaths:** Harry C. Lancaster, Martin C. Jackson, Miss Elizabeth K. Chapman.

**60 years ago:** David Stevens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Stevens, was hospitalized with severe injuries including a fractured pelvis when crushed by a falling tree.

**Deaths:** Allen Richardson, Mrs. Mabel Kimball Bean, Daniel W. Wentworth, Mrs. Myrtle A. Herrick, Ervin L. Bowker, Harry J. Damon.

**70 years ago:** The home of Harold Bartlett, the former Sam Badger place below Middle Intervale, burned with nearly all the furnishings and clothing of the family.

**Deaths:** Ernest J. Record, Mrs. Anna Maria Farwell.

**80 years ago:** Much interest was shown in the proposed road between Wilson's Mills and Quosococ.

Albert Gibbs suffered severe burns on his hand and arm while working at Herrick Bros. Co. garage when gasoline fumes were ignited by a blow torch and set fire to the building.

**Deaths:** Mrs. Sarah Waterhouse, Mrs. Mary Stevens.

**90 years ago:** East Bethel school has a hot lunch system and purchased an oil stove and cooking utensils.

**Deaths:** Frank E. Bean, Olney A. Burgess, Mrs. Rosa Hutchins, Augustus Dinham, Mrs. Omittie Robbins.

**100 years ago:** Jameson L. Finney purchased the house wiring business of Merrill Springer Co.

Annual Meeting of Merrill Springer Company was held and the same officers re-elected.

**Deaths:** Harry W. Park, Sidney Howe.

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## Briefly

### Wind appeal denied

**AUGUSTA**—The Maine Board of Environmental Protection last week rejected an appeal against approval of the Spruce Mountain Wind Project. Patriot Renewables plans to build a 10-turbine wind farm in Woodstock. Denise Hall of Friends of Spruce Mountain said her group had hoped the board would deny the permit because the turbines were close to homes. She said Friday FSM had yet to decide whether to take the case to the Maine Supreme Judicial Court on the grounds that DEP should have held a public hearing on the issue.

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Asphalt

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during odor episodes were consistent with those measured at Maine's five other air toxics monitoring sites."

Acrolein is a noncarcinogenic pulmonary irritant, the smell of which has been described as "putrid." It was used as a chemical weapon in World War I, but is not banned by Chemical Weapons Convention.

According to the report: "Sampling from the exhaust point of the mixed asphalt silo revealed that acrolein is emitted in greater quantities than the other expected pollutants," which include xylene, naphthalene, toluene, ethylbenzene and benzene.

"Acrolein is released by all exothermic reactions and should be included when EPA releases the next update to

their emission factors for asphalt facilities," the report said.

Acrolein's presence in the Augusta air, however, cannot be attributed solely to the asphalt plant, since acrolein levels both statewide and nationally already exceed health guidelines.

And, according to Louis Fontaine, compliance manager for the DEP's Bureau of Air Quality, "adding acrolein to the list of toxic pollutants emitted by asphalt plants will not put any asphalt plant out of compliance."

"Adding a new chemical to a list may affect the state's overall strategy for reducing a chemical."

**Local odor standard**  
While the Augusta situation appears to do little to

buttress arguments that a relocated North Road plant could result in unacceptable levels of carcinogenic emissions here, the DEP's confirmation of distinct asphalt odors there could play a pivotal role in the Bethel Planning Board's ultimate decision.

Bethel has a performance standard regarding odors, which must be met before an application can be approved.

"When the Planning Board determines, based on the project's characteristics and location, that odors will be a concern, the Board shall find that the proposed development will not produce offensive or harmful odors perceptible beyond the lot lines, either at ground level or habitable elevation."

EBS

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met to address the need for a source of food and clothing for those in need.

It was apparent then that the assistance available through area churches was insufficient to meet those needs and that a community approach might be needed.

At the time, EBS had recently become the location of the SAD 44 Adult Education Learning Center, following the relocation of K-2 grades to Crescent Park School, and the basement space was available.

While name "District Exchange" reflects the mission to serve towns in the area, over the years since the operation acquired numerous nicknames, including "The DX," "The DE" and "The Philbrook Boutique."

The exchange is open to the

public three days a week, two hours at a time; the pantry is open by appointment.

Cash donations received for clothing, generally \$1/bag, are used to support the pantry, which is currently providing assistance to approximately 50 families a month, referred by area towns, churches or agencies.

Clothing is also distributed through local schools and, in emergency situations, to various assistance agencies.

**New space(s) needed**  
There was agreement Thursday that the most pressing short-term need once the building closes is to keep the Food Pantry operating.

Those present also hoped to see the exchange continue, but not necessarily in the same location as the pantry.

The pantry could use more

space, in order to efficiently store food.

The exchange, while its space requirements are more flexible, would best serve the entire community if located in a centrally located space.

The group brainstormed a list of potential locations and took on assignments for follow-up, including working with the recently formed Bethel Area Nonprofit Committee (BANC).

Anyone with ideas or suggestions is asked to contact Cathy Newell (875-2116, cathy@megalink.net) or Maryvonne Wheeler (836-3700).

The Exchange also has a Facebook Page, "Bethel Area District Exchange and Food Pantry."

The next meeting will be held March 3, at 6:30 p.m., at Telstar.

Newry

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er budget, selectmen Chair Jim Largess said he was worried about the impact of the next school budget on Newry's taxes.

The School Board is currently wrestling with a \$1.1 million gap for next year's SAD 44 budget, a gap created by a combination of decline in state and federal aid and an anticipated increase in fixed costs.

Fire Department

In considering the Fire Department's proposed budget, Newry selectmen reviewed several accounts, which asked for the same amounts as last year in all but one category.

But, the board noted, in most cases the department had not

spent nearly the amounts requested, and they decided to reduce them.

The one account the NFD proposed to increase, Equipment, was trimmed from \$25,000 to \$12,500. Last year the department spent \$8,224 on equipment, after an appropriation of \$20,000.

Some of the items noted under the Equipment request included masks for self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and a multi-gas detector.

The cuts brought the NFD budget to approximately \$64,000.

Fire Chief Bruce Pierce was not able to attend the meeting.

The Highways Account (including road maintenance,

salt/sand) recommendation will remain nearly the same as last year's \$141,000.

The expenditure for the past year was \$85,223, but selectmen said that account can be unpredictable and decided to keep it at the same level.

On another roads topic, \$160,000 is proposed from the Capital Improvement Account to fix the Paine Bridge on the Branch Road. This would be the third bridge project on the road in recent years.

The board will act on a final budget proposal at the next meeting on Feb. 21. The Town Meeting is scheduled for March 7.

Newry's current mil rate is 8.85.

Owl

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owl to carry off, "so it just chews the head off and leaves with the head; not a whole lot of nutrition," Hulsey said.

"Not really that great for the farmer, (either)," Camuso said. "Owls will often eat the head of an animal first. There are some nutrients in the brain that they like, like minerals in particular. Usually, owls and weasels are kind of notorious for eating heads."

She said it was very unusual, however, for an owl to enter a barn to prey on chickens.

"I was very surprised to see an owl — particularly a barred owl — going into a building like that, so it was definitely getting pretty close to starving to come inside a building," she said.

"It's not surprising, given the amount of snow that

we've had, but it was pretty well on its last legs and doing everything it could to survive," she said.

"The owner of the chickens was very sympathetic towards the owl, and so we went over there to see if we could catch it with a mist net and eventually did," Hulsey said.

But not before it had killed five or six chickens.

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moose, but the mama didn't hang around to make sure her baby was safe.

Daffodil days are March 16 and 17. If you'd like to participate by purchasing potted bulbs, or a bear, or daffodil bouquets, or for more information, call 392-1117. Andover General Store will have some bouquets available without placing an order.

The annual skating/sliding party will be March 18th. On March 19 there will be an Italian buffet at the Ladies Aid Building. Hopefully you'll mark these dates on your calendar and check next week's column for all the details.

Sympathies are extended to family and friends of Fred Bilodeau who passed away last Saturday.

The annual Town Meeting will be held on March 31 at the school house.

The word "chuffed" was used in a book I recently read. It was used as an "old-fashioned" word, synonymous with "pleased, happy." The definition closest to that in my Webster, which is nearly an antique, is using snuffers to pinch the end of a candle to brighten the light. I just love words! Back in the day a "yargle" meant heavy knitwear of all sorts to keep one warm in the winter. The phrase "all yargled up" meant one was ready for cold weather. I'm guessing the word "argyle" (as in socks) was derived from "yargle."

Enjoy your week. Selah.

## Hanover

By CLEM WORCESTER



Last week we wrote about the heart-wrenching story of quadriplegic Jennifer Turner's attempts to get a house built to better serve her needs. Jennifer, who is the daughter of Craig and Lillian Turner, grew up in Hanover. To update that story, on Jan. 30 there was a groundbreaking ceremony at the site of her new home in Auburn. Construction officials hope the house will be completed in April. Those who would like to help Jennifer's project may donate to ASCE Turner Project, PO Box 1212, Auburn, ME 04211. The American Society of Civil Engi-

neers is sponsoring the project.

The Hanover Planning Board meeting scheduled for Feb. 2 was canceled. It might have been because of the lack of agenda items or possibly the big snowstorm that took place that day.

Rumford Grange 115 had its monthly meeting last Saturday at the home of Arnold and Vicki Clark along Ellis River Road. Get well wishes were extended to Methyl Park of Auburn. She recently had back surgery.

Daren and Fran Worcester from Hooksett, N.H., climbed Old Speck Mountain in Grafton last Sunday. They traveled on snowshoes during the hike. Last fall they hiked on Cadillac Mountain at Acadia National Park.

It seemed as if everyone was complaining about the lack of snow a few weeks ago. Now look at us! Almost continuous snowstorms left ample snow for snowmobile use, cross-country skiing, sliding, and snowshoe hiking. You could say snow blowing and plowing have been great activities, too. Saturday night we had snow, freezing rain and a thunder-shower.

## Newry

By SENECA CORRIVEAU



Hello devoted readers and fellow Newry-ites. Winter has finally come, but as Groundhog Day began I wondered what the rule of thumb was if he couldn't even come out of his burrow through all that snow. How can one see one's shadow when engulfed in such a snow storm?

We here at this end of the valley are enjoying all this new snow and why not, living here requires a steadfast determination to embrace winter to its fullest.

Children, and even us who are merely young at heart, have been sliding, snowmobiling and snowshoeing all over the fields and wooded trails. I was so happy to have received snowshoes for Christmas; however, I have only used them once.

Perhaps I should have wished for a new sled instead as the bottom of mine is really starting to show its age. Such a shame - they just don't make

things like they used to. "Quality" seems to be a thing of the past. After all, why should sleds need to be replaced every year when they are only used for a couple of months and on snow.

Eden (Bartholomew) Johnston comes up the valley on a weekly basis to let little Lucien visit with Grandpa and Grammie Bartholomew. Eden and Hubby bought their first home a few months back and are relishing the wonders of new home ownership! Just waiting now for spring so that they can paint and really make it feel like home.

Laura Lowell has been spending some of her free time taking jumping lessons (on a horse of course)! She's been watching her daughter, Vicki, all these years and decided that she wanted to dabble at it too. Laura, so far, has found it to be very entertaining.

Celebrating a birthday: Jason Powers turned 17 years old on Feb. 6.

Windy Valley Snowmobile Club's Herb Kittredge Memorial Ride is on Feb. 19. The ride departs at the Bear River Grange Hall at 9 a.m.

Landowner Appreciation Supper/Oyster Stew and Spaghetti Feed is also Feb. 19 at the Bear River Grange Hall at 5 p.m. Sounds like a fun-filled day, nothing better than a nice hot meal after a great ride, especially one that you don't have to cook!

The Newry annual Town Meeting with prior Potluck will be held Monday, March 7. Potluck begins at 5:30 p.m. with the meeting to follow at 7 p.m. at the Grange Hall.

"Well, that's all the news, that is news, that's fit to print!" Contact me - sabcart@gmail.com or the good 'ole fashioned way: 824-0836. Thank you and have a great week!

## Andover

By MELINDA AVERILL



Hello Andover friends. As many of you already know, there will be a benefit supper this Friday for John and Mary

Thurston and family, who lost their home last Thursday in a bad fire. John and Mary have two young daughters. The supper will be held at the Andover School, starting at 6 p.m. The menu will consist of spaghetti with sauce, garlic bread, salad, desserts and drink. As usual any donations will be greatly appreciated.

The Andover Transfer Station will be accepting returnable cans and bottles for the Thurston family. Drop them off anytime that the dump is open.

The Junior Class at Telstar will be having a Chocolate Festival on Sunday, Feb. 13. Sample all kinds of chocolate treats and enjoy a beverage by the fire at the Bethel Inn Conference Center. The cost is \$5 per person, under 2 is free. It will run from 2 to 4 p.m. What a nice start to Valentines!

## Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT

Judith Grover tent 17 DUVCW will meet on Monday, Feb. 14, for a regular meeting at Alice Hoyt's.

Don't know about you, but I am glad it's February - means spring is just around the corner!

To my friends at Norway Rehab. "Hello, I am doing great. Gaining in strength each day, hope to be able to use a cane soon."

Services at the Baptist

Church are Sunday school at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m., evening services at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening is prayer meeting at 6:30 p.m. Coming events: Feb. 12 is a Chili Cook-off at 5 p.m. In March is a pie contest, men and women, date to be announced. March 5 youth activity at 4 p.m. March 12 is men's prayer breakfast in Fellowship Hall at 7 a.m. Pastor Calvin Fuller is pastor at present. I'm glad to hear Woodstock and Andover schools are open for at least one more year.

It's time for Telstar seniors to be thinking about scholarships. The Woodstock High School Alumni Association has a scholarship for great or more grandchildren of Woodstock High School graduates. Apply at the school.

## Historical Society

Curator Larry Billings was delighted to see the Bethel Citizen issue on Mt. Abram and plans to put it in the museum since the skiway is so near. They already have something about Sunday River. It is fine to get some things on winter activities in the museum even though it is only open in the summer. The society is ready to welcome new members whatever the season.

## Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM



Today is the birthday of granddaughter Shanna. She is 5 years old.

That means watch out next year Kindergarten teachers! She should be at Guy E. Rowe School along with sister Sarah. Two in one school!

We are still liking the Rav4. It has 4WD and goes well in the snow. It is old, but I am happier driving it than the Cruiser. I am still hesitant in the snow, but feel I have a better chance at making it.

Today, Thursday, the 10th, ACA meets at the library. So far we have been OK with the snow, but another storm is coming and ACA meets 10 to 11:15. FMI call 739-9115.

The Advertiser said what we already knew, Oxford County has a high poverty rate, especially in access to food. That is one reason for the Alan Day Community Garden. It gives folks without land a chance to grow a garden and get help. Now we probably need more cooking classes so people can learn how to cook the vegetables they grow.

Friday, the 11th, at Gould Academy in the McLaughlin Science Building, "Invasive Plants in your own Backyard" - Educator and Naturalist Jackie Cressey will be teaching. It starts at 7 p.m.

Mondays in Harrison, at the library, Knitting Basics for ages 9-17 at 3:30 p.m. For adults, knitting will be Mondays from 1 to 3:30. FMI call 583-2970.

Feb 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the South Paris Library, author Patricia Gott will be speaking. FMI call 743-6994.

On the 17th at Norway Library Memoirs discussion will continue at 6:30 p.m. on "Wait till Next Year" by Doris Goodwin. FMI call 743-5309.

Next week is school - watch for all the winter activities in Harrison.

Pizza Night, originally scheduled for Feb. 2 was rescheduled for Feb. 10 at 6 p.m. at the Matterhorn. Tickets are \$15 and the money goes to the Rocky Freda Scholarship Fund, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Bethel.

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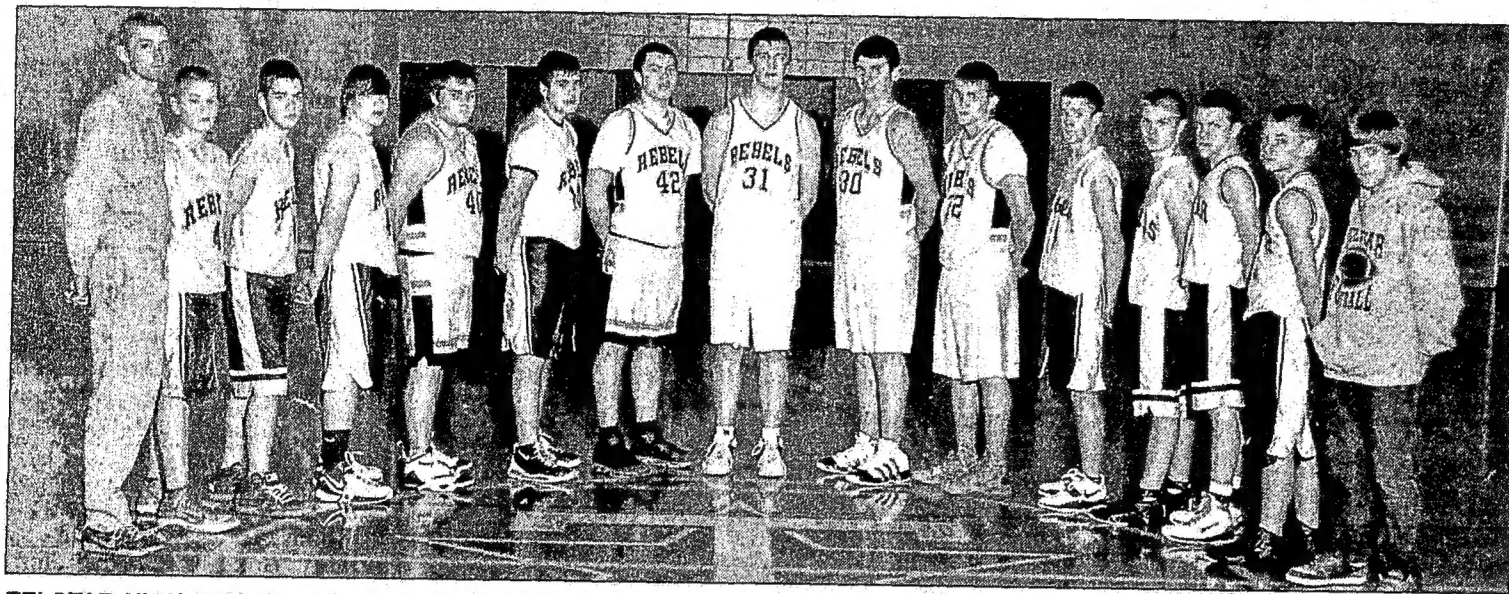
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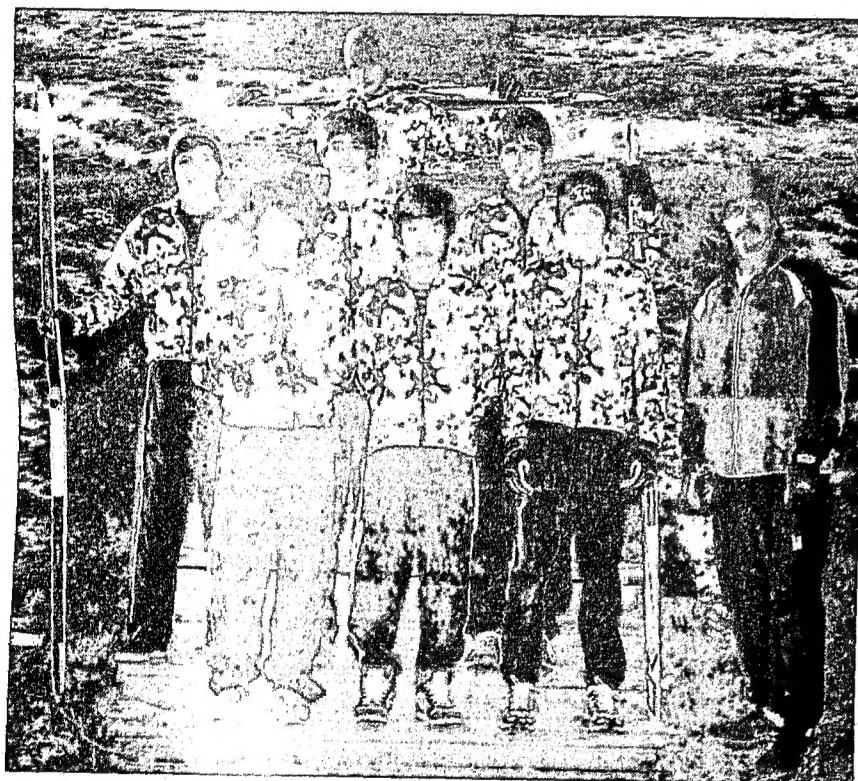
TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL—Front: Danny Whitney, T.J. O'Connor, Ben Field, Dan Vaughn, Elek Pew and Devin Vail. Back: Coach Mark Thurlow, Dom Haines, Drew Wilson, Michael Del duca, Lucas Bellanceau, Corey Howard, Nick Mills and Coach Sean Caddigan.



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TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' J.V. BASKETBALL—From left: Coach Sean Caddigan, Bronson Dean, David Mason, Zack Mills, Devin Vail, Ricky James, Nick Mills, Lucas Bellanceau, Mike Del duca, Dominic Haines, Nik Conrad, Austin Ryerson, Mitch Sabins, Tyler Cherkis, and Mgr. Dylan Helms.



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY SKI TEAM

Front: Matthew Keane, Supatich Vadhanachaiw, Adam Mahar, Coach Gary Wight. Middle: Ben Lewis, Rick Aguilar, James Piccirillo. Back: Casey Kellner



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL ALPINE SKI TEAM

Front: Tyler James, Grace Stover, Ashley Konkright, Coach Anne Reis. Middle: Rose Wright (white sweatshirt), Rachael Wheeler, Josh Head, Morgan Lee (capt.). Back: Mark Bolvin, Cody Bolvin, Anthony Dirago.

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## Leader in fight against polio presents at Bethel Rotary

On Feb. 1, the Rotary Club of Bethel was honored to have Ted Trainer, a prominent figure in Rotary International's program to eradicate polio from the face of the earth.

In 1989 he became head of the Rotary International Finance Committee which was charged with spending \$240,000,000 to vaccinate all the children in the world against polio in three years.

Just what is polio? Many of us do not have any connection with this highly infectious virus which strikes primarily children under 5 years of age. It invades the nervous system and can cause total paralysis in a matter of hours.

In 1952-53 93,000 cases occurred in the U.S. There was no cure. Children ended up in leg braces or worse yet iron lungs which helped them breathe. Prevention was the only way. Vaccines were developed and a massive campaign was launched in 1965 to immunize all children in developed countries. It worked!

Now our major problem with this horrible disease is in developing countries. Four still have active cases - Nigeria, India, Afghanistan and Pakistan.

In spite of the fact that we have no active cases in the U.S. it should be remembered that in our small world, polio is only a plane ride away.

Ted told us that the idea of eradicating polio from the face of the earth came later for Rotary, meeting with some resistance, but finally resulting in a commitment to this worthy cause. Many organizations other than Rotary contributed to this effort such as the Bill and Melinda Gates Fund (\$350,000,000), UNICEF, WHO, CDC, the vaccine manufacturers and national governments.

"In fact," he said "the big story is the very significant role Rotary has and is playing in developing the first truly international public-private partnership for health care in the history of the world." This coalition reaches far beyond the eradication of this one disease.

Rotary has been instrumental in putting together a system that has vaccinated more than two billion children against polio in 200 countries with the help of 20 million volunteers.

It has also established a private-public-not-for-profit alliance which has led to the invention and mass production of improved vaccines for measles, Hepatitis A and B, influenza and rota virus (a common cause of severe diarrhea in children).

Public health services have been expanded to every corner of the globe sharply reducing the risk of millions of people becoming sick or dying.

In place is a global disease surveillance system which has led to rapid response to all kinds of disease outbreaks.

Because of these efforts certain diseases have been reduced such as measles, malaria, Vitamin A deficiency, HIV/AIDS control and goiter.

Ted was particularly proud of the influence and accomplishments these public-private sector partnerships had in international cooperation beyond the field of public health. An example is the help given by this coalition to President Obama's effort to restore dialogue with the Islamic world for the reduction of international terrorism.

Ted told us that sometimes dealing with national governments has been very

difficult. He gave Nigeria as an example of this problem. In Nigeria polio was a very visible disease but not a priority concern for the Minister of Health. People affected with polio who became crawlers were considered "throw aways." Nigerian politicians considered polio to be of primary concern to rich countries and saw no political gain for themselves in doing this project.

In 1995 Nigeria had just been kicked out of the Commonwealth but was also the largest single national source of polio in Africa.

The International Coalition of Health Organizations needed the country's cooperation to institute a strong immunization program.

Fortunately, Nigeria had an exceptional Rotary presence. Mike Ockwehine a prominent Rotarian had friends in high places. He was able to get Ted an audience with the Minister of Health. Ted told the Minister he could offer him two things for his support of the polio immunization project - political success and international recognition. Polio eradication would be a feather in his cap.

The Minister cooperated and worked hard to eradicate polio. Because Rotary had contacts with other governments they were able to help return Nigeria to the Commonwealth.

Unfortunately in 2003 Muslim fundamentalists stopped the vaccination campaign claiming the polio program was a Western plot. However today we are vaccinating again and continuing to bring down the number of cases in Nigeria.

Ted explained another problem which arose in 1990 with the private sector who were producing the vaccine. The company of Charles Merieux which was producing the Salk vaccine raised its price from 5 cents a dose to 15 cents per dose. The campaign could not afford the rise in price. Again Ted negotiated with the company.

Actually the manufacturers simply wanted a seat at the program policy making table. Through Ted's help the WHO-led health campaign accepted the formal involvement of the vaccine manufacturers and the price returned to 5 cents a dose.

Although, as mentioned earlier, Rotary International had had some questions about joining the world-wide program for eradication of polio, it did so and has remained committed through the years. When Rotarians give their word, they do not back down when the going gets tough.

Ted believes that if it had not been for our strong and steadfast presence at policy negotiations, our visible and helpful presence in villages for NID's (two of our Bethel residents, Michele Pereja and Erin Murphy went to Nigeria last November) and our unprecedented 25 years of fund raising, our global partners may very well have moved on.

"Rotary is raising only a fraction of the funds needed to beat polio, but our example is stimulating our partners to raise more and more money and work harder and harder - well beyond their traditional limits - just as we have moved well beyond ours. What a glorious expression of the human spirit! The polio virus does not have a chance!"

Stay tuned for the "Purple Pinkie Project" at our SAD 44 elementary schools. Our children will be giving to the children of the world.

## Democrats to meet

The Oxford County Democrats will hold a Potluck Lunch and Planning Meeting on Sunday, Feb. 13, at 1 p.m. at the Crescent Park School on Crescent Lane in Bethel. Those attending are asked to bring something to share for lunch.

The meeting will include reports on the recent Democratic State Committee elections, as well as the formation of several working subcommittees relating to the operation of the Oxford County Democrats.

Updates will be presented by elected officials at the

legislative and county levels. County Chair Cathy Newell will outline plans for working with Organizing for America on activities throughout the spring. A date will be selected for the Oxford County Democrats field trip to the State House.

Anyone interested in taking an active role in electing Democrats in 2012 is invited to attend. For information about the Oxford County Democrats, visit [www.oxforddems.org](http://www.oxforddems.org) or check the group out on Facebook, Oxford County ME Democrats.

# Community Calendar

**Indoor Winter Walking at Telstar Regional High School:** Monday-Friday, 6:15-7:15 a.m. and 2:30-7 p.m.

**Thru Mid-March**

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. - **McLaughlin Garden** open Wednesday-Saturday thru winter months and closed Sunday-Tuesday. FMI: 743-8820 or [www.mclaughlingarden.org](http://www.mclaughlingarden.org)

**Thursday, Feb. 10**

**SAD 44 White Cap Evening** at Sunday River Ski Resort. Free Tubing Pass for evening.

5:30 to 7 p.m. - **Healthy Stir-Frying** class offered by MaineHealth Learning Resource Center, Stephens Memorial Hospital at First Congregational Church, South Paris. Cost: \$10 p/p and registration required. FMI or to register call (866) 609-5183.

6 p.m. - **All-You-Can-Eat Pizza Party** organized by The Rotary Club of Bethel at the Matterhorn, Sunday River Road (postponed from Wednesday, Feb. 2 due to storm). The event will benefit a new scholarship fund in memory of Rocky Freda. Tickets: \$15 p/p from a club member or at door.

**Feb. 10 thru 13**

**White Out Weekend** at Sunday River Ski Resort dedicated to gay and lesbian community. For full schedule and registration information: [www.sundayriver.com](http://www.sundayriver.com) or call (800) 543-2754.

**Thursdays, Feb. 10 and 17**

3:15 to 4:30 - **Learn to Sew** program for third and sixth graders at Norway Memorial Library; pre-registration required. Learn a different stitch each week. FMI and to register: 743-5309 Ext. 4.

**Friday, Feb. 11**

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. - **IFW training session** at Mahoosuc Land Trust Office, Bethel. FMI: e-mail [info@mahoosuc.org](mailto:info@mahoosuc.org) or [arwcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:arwcouncil@gmail.com) (if interested in participating to survey and identify important wildlife habitat).

6 p.m. - **Spaghetti Supper** at Andover Elementary School, to benefit Jon Thurston Family who lost everything in a fire. All proceeds go to the family. Any donations from clothes to furniture appreciated.

7 p.m. - **"Invasive Plants in Your Own Backyard"** by Jackie Cressy, educator and naturalist, a Local Knowledge 2010-11 program presented by Mahoosuc Land Trust at Trustees Auditorium, McLaughlin Science Building, Gould Academy. Free, but donations appreciated. FMI or inclement weather: 824-3806.

7 p.m. - **Veritas Quintet**, chamber music, sponsored by Mahoosuc Arts Council at Trustees Auditorium, McLaughlin Science Center, Gould Academy. Tickets: \$15 adults, \$10 seniors and students. FMI: 824-3575 or e-mail [info@mahoosucarts.org](mailto:info@mahoosucarts.org) or visit [www.mahoosucarts.org](http://www.mahoosucarts.org)

**Saturday Feb. 12 and 19**

7 to 10 p.m. - **Dance to Jones Dance Band** at South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. Cost: \$5 for adults. Lunch counter open.

**Sunday, Feb. 13**

10 a.m. - **Mahoosuc Land Trust** hike to summit of Rumford Whitecap. Moderately strenuous. Winter gear, hiking poles recommended. Bring lunch/water. Meet in parking area across from trail head on East Andover Road, Rumford. FMI: 824-3806 or [mlt@mahoosuc.org](mailto:mlt@mahoosuc.org)

1 p.m. - **Oxford County Democrats Potluck Lunch/Planning Meeting** at Crescent Park School, Crescent Lane, Bethel. Those attending are asked to bring something to share for lunch. FMI: [www.oxforddems.org](http://www.oxforddems.org)

2 p.m. - **Waterford World's Fair** group meeting, Waterford Town Office, Plummer Hill Road. Everyone welcome.

2 to 4 p.m. - **Chocolate Festival** hosted by Telstar Class of 2012 at Bethel Inn Conference Center, Broad Street, Bethel. All-you-can-eat buffet of chocolate desserts. Cost: \$5 per person. Bring family and friends.

**Tuesday, Feb. 15, 22, March 1, 8**

6 to 8 p.m. - **Introduction to Beekeeping** at U-Maine Cooperative Extension Oxford County, 9 Olson Road, South Paris. Cost: \$30. Pre-registration, fee, name, address required by March 1. FMI: Lesley Quick 743-6329 or e-mail [mailto:lesley.quick@maine.edu](mailto:mailto:lesley.quick@maine.edu)

**Friday, Feb. 18**

4 to 5:30 p.m. - **Western Mountains Senior College** presents Linda Greenlaw, famous Maine sea captain of "Perfect Storm" fame, at McLaughlin Science Center, Gould Academy. Open to public at no charge.

5:30 p.m. - **Community Potluck Supper** at First Universalist Church, Main Street, West Paris. No charge, bring dish to share. Game night. Bring board game or card game and enjoy.

**Feb. 19 and March 19**

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - **Heartsaver CPR and First Aid** classes at Oxford Public Safety Building. Certification in one day only - accepted for day care, foster parents, Maine guides, forestry, and non-healthcare position. FMI: Patty 671-4460 or [pluked@yahoo.com](mailto:pluked@yahoo.com)

**Saturday, Feb. 19**

9 a.m. - **Windy Valley Snowmobile Club** Herb Kittredge Memorial Ride departs Bear River Grange Hall.

5 p.m. - **Landowner Appreciation Supper/Oyster Stew/Spaghetti**, Bear River Grange Hall.

**Sunday, Feb. 20**

8:30 a.m. on - **Food Sale** at Bethel Foodliner, sponsored by Mundt-Allen Unit 81, American Legion Auxiliary.

**Annual Valve Cover Race** sponsored by American Legion Riders of American Legion Post 24, 184 Congress Street, Rumford. Open to public. Entry fee: \$7. FMI: Ed Ellis, director, American Legion Riders (357-6437).

**Tuesday, Feb. 22**

7 p.m. - **Black Diamond Entertainment Series** presents Jason Bishop, magician, at Grand Ballroom of Grand Summit Hotel, Sunday River. Tickets: adults advance \$6/door \$8, 12 and under \$4/\$6, age 5 and under free. Advance tickets available at Sunday River Welcome Center, Grand Resort Hotels, Snow Cap Inn or call (800) 543-2SKI.

**Tuesday, Feb. 22 and Friday, Feb. 25**

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. - **Ice-climbing talks and demonstrations** on Ice Tower hosted by Bob Barabeau and Jim Sysko. All welcome. Event weather permitting. FMI: [www.bethelwinterfest.com](http://www.bethelwinterfest.com) or call Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce at 824-2282.

**Tuesday, Feb. 22 and Thursday, Feb. 24**

8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (Tues), 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Thurs.) - **Safe Sitter Class** at Harper Conference Center, Stephens Memorial Hospital, for 11 to 13 year olds. Cost (for two-day class): \$50. Scholarship (\$15) available on request. FMI: 743-5933 Ext. 380. Online registration [www.wmhcc.org](http://www.wmhcc.org).

**Feb. 22 and March 15**

6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - **Healthcare Provider Re-Certification** classes at Oxford Public Safety Building. FMI: Patty 672-4460 or [pluked@yahoo.com](mailto:pluked@yahoo.com)

**Wednesday, Feb. 23**

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. - **Family Fun Race** at Sunday River in Race Arena at Barker Mountain. Open to skiers of all ages. \$5 p/p for SRSSC members and \$15 p/p for non-members. Food served after race. FMI or to register: <http://sundayriverandsnowboardclub.camp8.org/www.srssc.com/Events>.

4:30 to 6:30 p.m. - **Community Supper** (no charge) at Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walker's Mills Road (across from Telstar parking lot). FMI: 824-2289.

**Saturday, Feb. 26**

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Yard Sale** at American Legion Post 72, Church Street, South Paris, 50/50 tickets. Lunch counter open.

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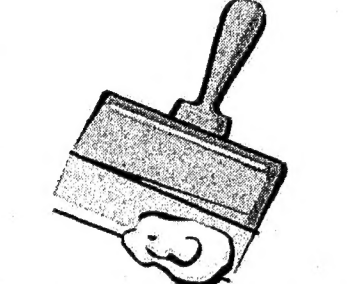
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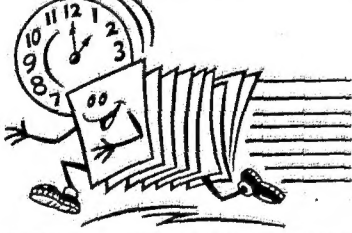
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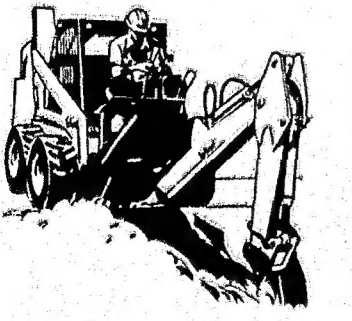
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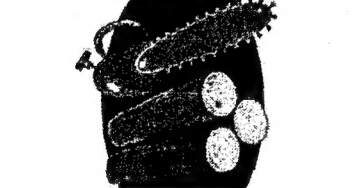
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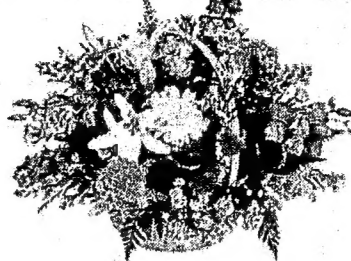
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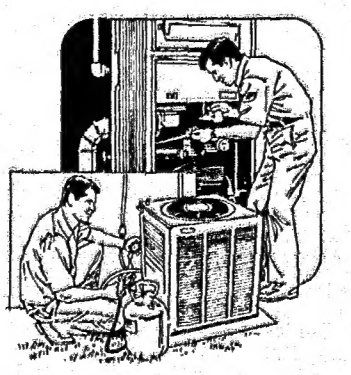
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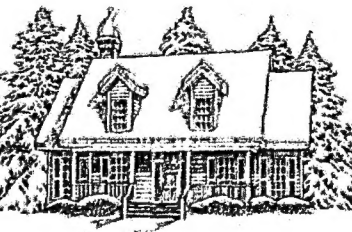
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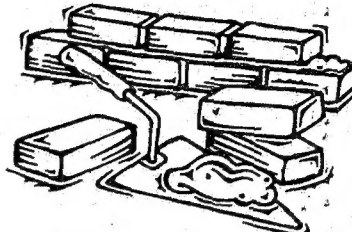
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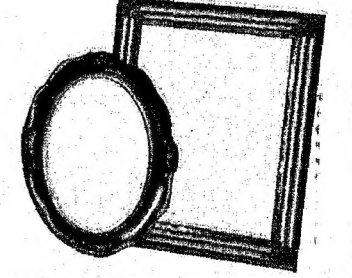
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## MLT meets \$50,000 fundraising challenge

The Mahoosuc Land Trust has met a \$50,000 fundraising challenge from Larry Stifler and Mary McFadden.

The couple, strong supporters of preservation projects in the Bethel area, last year said if MLT raised \$50,000 toward land conservation, they would match it.

"We worked hard to reach out to people to step up to the plate," said MLT executive director Jim Mitchell. He said 60 percent of the funds would be used as operating

cash reserve, while 40 percent would go into a fund to be available if conservation opportunities arise and money is needed up front to begin an effort.

Said McFadden, "The Mahoosuc Land Trust did a wonderful job rising to the challenge to raise new funds and sign on new members. Without the Trust's local knowledge and strategic alliances it would be hard to make important land protection projects possible.

For more than 20 years we have watched the Trust grow, both its capacity and its impact. We have been impressed at the Mahoosuc Land Trust's continued efforts to improve the pace and quality of its land protection efforts and to build its capacity so it will be sustainable to do its critical work long into the future."

### HABITAT ID

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**  
The Mahoosuc Land Trust and the Androscoggin River Watershed Council are

conducting a project with IF&W and Maine Audubon to identify and survey important wildlife habitat, and volunteers are needed. The work involves getting outdoors this winter to do field observations, including some tracking. IFW will hold a training session Feb. 11 at 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the MLT office in Bethel. E-mail info@mahoosuc.org or arwcouncil@gmail.com. Attendance at the training is not mandatory but helpful.

## Sports

### High School Boys' Varsity Basketball

Dirigo 54, Telstar 39; Jan. 31—Telstar stats: Dan Vaughn 14 points, Elek Pew 8 points, Ben Field 12 points and 14 rebounds.

Wiscasset 58, Telstar 44; Feb. 3—Telstar stats: Corey Howard 13 points, Ben Field 10 points and 16 rebounds, Dan Vaughn 9 points, Danny Whitney 8 points, Next home game is Feb. 10 vs. Mountain Valley. It is the last regular season game for the Rebels, and Senior Night for Dan Vaughn, TJ O'Connor, Elek Pew, and Ben Field. Game times: JV 5:30 p.m., Varsity 7 p.m.

### High School Boys' J.V. Basketball

Dirigo 57, Telstar 44; Jan. 31—Telstar stats: Dominic Haines 14 points, Devin Vail 10 points, Nick Mills 6 points

### High School Girls' Varsity Basketball

Mt. Abram 50, Telstar 27; Feb. 7—Telstar struggled to convert from the floor in the finale of a travel triple header. Emma Davis led the team with 13 points, including two three pointers and 7 for 10 from the foul line. Nicena Walker had 4 points, 3 boards, 1 blocked shot, and hustled on the floor for many loose balls. Jenna Putnam, Cheyanne Day (7 boards), Casey Blaszcak (4 boards), Autumn Morin, and Alyssa Brands each had two points. — Coach Mark Kenney

### High School Alpine Skiing

Powder Keg Slalom at Titcomb; Feb. 4—Finishing for the Telstar girls' team: Morgan Lee 7th, Rachael Wheeler 15th, Rose Wright 31st, Ashley Conkright 38th and Grace Stover 39th. For the boys' team: Josh Head 23rd, Anthony Dirigo 33rd, Cody Boivin 37 and Tyler James 41st. — Coach Anne Reis

### TMS Boys' Varsity Basketball

Telstar 31, Madison 30 (OT); Feb. 5—Telstar's Cameron Pike led the team in scoring with 12 points, Jojo Puntman added 7 points and Maverik Griffin 6. Good team defense at the end of the game was the key to victory. — Coach Tim O'Connor

### TMS Cross-country Skiing

Tripp Middle School Skate Relay Race Feb. 3—Telstar went to the race with one boys' team, one girls' team, and a mixed team. The boys' team included Caleb Clarke, Mitch Leeman, Marcus Wentworth and Andrew Siegel. Their winning time was 28:20, and beat 9 other teams to capture first place for all boys' teams. The girls' team included Rachael Goldberg, Carla Boyle-Wight, Rose Goldberg and Ani Inman. Their time was 36:23, third of 9 teams. The mixed team included Schuyler Leff, Livy Clarke, Caleb Clarke and a member of the Tripp Middle School. Their time was 36:24, first place among 9 teams. — Coach Steve Keane

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# REAL ESTATE CONNECTION

## Reduce spring cleaning stress with these chore-sharing tips

(ARA)—When spring finally rolls around this year, families everywhere will be ready to embrace the season and all it has to offer: sunny days, higher temperatures and finally getting back outside.

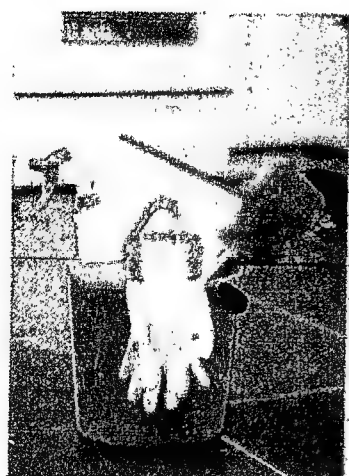
But a long winter means your home has some serious spring cleaning needs, which can cause serious stress when one person - Mom - has to handle it by herself.

Sixty-two percent of mothers handle all household chores, according to a recent Roper study. And on average, moms spend more than 14 hours per week cleaning and maintaining the home.

"Family cooperation is key," says Alison Gutterman, mother of two and president of Jelmar, maker of CLR cleaning products. "If you share the responsibility for chores, they'll not only get done faster, but there will be less stress for the whole family."

Spring cleaning is the perfect opportunity to create a chore-sharing plan before your flock flies the coop. Create a rotating schedule of chore assignments so no one gets stuck cleaning the toilet each time. But most of all, keep these simple spring cleaning tips in mind so doing "the chores" doesn't have to be a chore.

\* Organize: Group rooms that need sprucing up into "sectors" that use similar products and methods to help break up your to-do list and tackle projects quickly.



\* Prioritize: If cleaning the garage has been neglected for years, chances are it's not a priority. Save those tough jobs until you get through the rooms you know have to get done.

\* Quick refresh: Have guests coming today? If you don't have time for a deep clean, quickly freshen up each room by spraying fabric softener on drapes and curtains, and toss the pillows and couch covers in the dryer with a dryer sheet.

\* Use cleaning multi-taskers: Maintaining that huge supply of specialized cleaners under the sink is a waste of time and space - look for products that can tackle three or four jobs instead of just one. For example, CLR Bath & Kitchen Cleaner cleans caked-on grime from ceramic tile, shower doors, toilet bowls, kitchen countertops and more with just a spray and swipe.

\* Create a finish line: Cleaning can go on forever if you let it. By establishing some cleaning goals before you start, you can manage your time and know when to say "enough's enough."

Once you're done, get back to enjoying the season and your family.

## Remodel your credit before you begin home renovations

(ARA)—Improved resale value, more space or better use of the space you have, and a brand-new room to enjoy - it may be hard to imagine a downside to renovating a kitchen or bathroom. But you could discover a dark side to remodeling - if you decide to finance the project by borrowing before you check your credit.

With the real estate market still limping along in many areas of the country, you may decide that it makes more sense to improve the home you have, rather than move into a new one. And you wouldn't be alone in that philosophy. Harvard's Joint Center for Housing Studies predicts Americans will spend nearly \$141 billion on remodeling in the first half of 2011.

The economy may be driving the renovation trend in another way, as well. Interest rates are low - for those who qualify with good credit. So it makes sense to know what's on your credit report and what your credit score is before you make plans to renovate your kitchen, bath or any other room in the house.

If you plan to use credit to finance a renovation project (and few of us can afford to pay cash these days), be proactive and understand your credit with these simple steps:

\* **Find out where you stand.** Although it's fairly easy to obtain a free credit report and score online, many Americans aren't confident about where they stand in terms of credit. Your first step toward making your renovation dreams a reality

is to find out how potential lenders will perceive your credit worthiness.

Reviewing your credit score through Websites like [freecreditscore.com](http://freecreditscore.com) can help you get a clear picture of how potential creditors might perceive your use of credit. Membership in the site's credit monitoring membership can also help you keep on top of your credit by sending you e-mail alerts when something changes on your credit report.



### \* Take action - and keep at it.

If you find errors on your credit report, contact the major bureaus and dispute the errors. It's also a good idea to monitor your report regularly, throughout the year, as identity theft or instances of fraud could show up on it, alerting you quickly to a situation you otherwise might not have discovered for months.

Your credit score is a fluid number, and it can change throughout the year as you improve your payment records, miss or delay a payment, and open or close lines of credit. Many factors go into calculating your credit score, but generally bureaus take into account how reliably you pay bills on time, the total amount you owe in secured and unsecured debt, and how much unused credit you have available.

### \* Get an idea of the impact.

Knowing your credit score not only better empowers you to bargain for the optimum loan terms, it can also help you understand how that new renovation loan will affect your score and report. You can find a credit score estimator at [freecreditscore.com](http://freecreditscore.com) that can give you an idea of how changes in your credit report might affect your score.

Whether you're remodeling just one room in a house or the entire house, funding the project can affect your finances, including your credit score. If you make sure you understand - and have a handle on - your credit before undertaking a project, you'll be more likely to reap the rewards, and avoid the downside, of home renovation.

## Maine Mortgage Rates

Type	Current	Last Week
30-year fixed	4.85%	4.77%
15-year fixed	4.15%	4.06%
5/1 ARM	3.38%	3.28%

As of Feb. 2, 2011 - From: Zillow.com

## Recent area real estate transactions

### BETHEL

Federal National Mortgage Association to Dean Martin and Karen Anderson of Lancaster, Penn., land and building, Map 8, Lot 57, \$159,500, Sept. 30, 2010.

Heather Rainsford to John and Cheryl Gillespie of Falmouth, condominium at 7 Cherry Lane, \$142,500, Sept. 30, 2010.

Richard DiPlacido to William and Lisa Maguire of Burlington, Mass., land and building, Pheasant Hill Subdivision, \$240,000, Oct. 1, 2010.

Robert and Robin Squires to Amanda Harrison of Beverly, Mass., land and building at 7 Conforti Lane \$233,000, Oct. 4, 2010.

Malinda Crane to Todd and Mary Wilson of Bryant Pond, land at 54 Wilson Road, \$10,000, Oct. 7, 2010.

Wayne and Becky Cummings to Elizabeth Kramer (trustee) of Greenland, N.H., land and building at 153 Maine Street, \$222,500, Oct. 12, 2010.

Savage Land Development to Anthony and Bethany Baublis of Westborough, Mass., land and building at 105 Oak Ridge Road, \$346,500, Oct. 12, 2010.

Agatha Kimball to Sunrise Mountain Properties of Mexico, unspecified, Map 15, Lot 22, \$100,000, Oct. 26, 2010.

Nancy and Quinto Vargiu to Debra and Owen Brown of Bethel, land and building, 110 West Bethel Road, \$40,000, Oct. 30, 2010.

Savage Land Development to Gina White of Chester, N.H., land in Timber Creek Subdivision, \$65,000, Nov. 12, 2010.

Richard DePlacido to Steven and Claire Goulding of Groton, Mass., land and building at 36 Quail Run, \$260,000, Nov. 15, 2010.

Patricia Dinizio to James and Carey Barry of Newburyport, Mass., unspecified at 73 River Valley Acres, \$172,000, Nov. 23, 2010.

### GREENWOOD

Sylvia Clark to Meredith Mink and Rodney Chase of Bryant Pond, land and building at 25 Hobbs Road, \$115,000, Oct. 7, 2010.

Eleanor Heath to Harry Orcutt and Susan Vacca of Salem, N. H., land off Millhouse Lane, \$5,000, Nov. 1, 2010.

Thomas Baer to Francis and Allison Nicklous of Moodus, Conn., land at 0 Maki Lane, \$58,900, Nov. 12, 2010.

### NEWRY

Judith A. Gravel to Kenneth F. Gray of Cape Elizabeth, property at Fall Line condominiums, \$110,000, Nov. 1, 2010.

Richard C. Letendre to George S. Patey III and Jean A. Patey of Rockport, Mass., condominium at North Peak, \$168,000, Nov. 2, 2010.

Robert R. and Andrea C. Martin to Cindra A. Collins of Cape Elizabeth, property at Locke Mountain Townhouses, \$525,000, Nov. 1, 2010.

Donald S. and Jane M. Woodbury (trustees) to Keith and Vicky Scally of Greenland, N.H., condominium at 8 Sunrise Drive, \$116,000, Nov. 5, 2010.

Russell and Jill Beck to Robert F. and Claudine Durgin of Kittery, condominium at 8 Fall Line Drive, \$120,500, Nov. 19, 2010.

Charles and Karyn Bell to James J. O'Brien of Marlborough, Mass., condominium at Brookside \$55,500, Nov. 5, 2010.

Beth A. Shellard to Robert J. Stanton of North Reading, Mass., timeshare at Jordan Grand, \$12,000, Oct. 28, 2010.

Neal H. and Lesli L. Weiner to James E. Lawson of Durham, N.H., timeshare at Summit, \$9,100, Nov. 10, 2010.

Paul R. and Diane C. Jolicœur to Daniel P. and Rachel L. Thornton of Falmouth, timeshare at Summit, \$18,000, Nov. 30, 2010.

Deutsche Bank National Trust Co. to Russell D. and Jamie N. Norris, property at 32 Steamboat Road, \$419,000, Oct. 28, 2010.

Christopher and Sookie Clark to 48 Greenbriar, LLC of Cohasset, Mass., property at 48 Greenbriar Road, \$560,000, Nov. 29, 2010.

Robert Currier to Kelly M. Shaw of Auburn, land and buildings at 92 Monkey Brook Road, \$490,000, Nov. 19, 2010.

Maine Mountain Properties LLC to Howard J. and Patricia A. Troob of Wakefield, R.I., lot at the Peaks, \$136,000, Nov. 23, 2010.

Thomas Obeart to Edward Aiken of Hanover, lot off Candlewood Road, \$8,000, Oct. 29, 2010.

Maine Mountain Properties LLC to Jason W. Joseph and Mary S. Ahn of Carlisle, Mass., lot at Peaks subdivision, \$200,000, Nov. 14, 2010.

### WOODSTOCK

Karen Dunham to John Cox III of Bryant Pond, land and building at 60 Andrews Hill Road, \$10,000, Oct. 28, 2010.

Kathleen Richardson to Jurgen and Janice Marks of Bryant Pond, land and building at 222 Gore Road, \$49,900, Nov. 1, 2010.

Patricia Breame to Michael T. Smith of Livermore Falls, land and building at 1012 Main Street, \$85,000, Nov. 2, 2010.

Kenneth and Thresa Koskela to David Talley of Chadsford, Penn., land on Koskela Road, \$42,000, Nov. 12, 2010.

Eleanor Koskela to Heather Mason of Bryant Pond, unspecified, Koskela Road, \$6,000, Nov. 23, 2010.

**ANDOVER** reported no new transaction for the most recent period.

*About the listings: The information above has been compiled from the latest public records in the individual town offices. The transaction prices are sent to the town by the Maine Revenue Service and may not arrive and be filed for several weeks after the purchase closing dates.*

### SOUTH PORTLAND

The median sales price of a single-family existing home in Maine continues its upward track. According to the Maine Real Estate Information System, Inc. (MREIS), the statewide median sales price (MSP) rose 4.24 percent in December 2010, compared to December 2009. The MSP indicates that half of the homes were sold for more and half sold for less. The number of units of home sales in Maine declined 10.68 percent in that same time period.

The National Association of Realtors (NAR) reports that single-family home sales nationwide decreased 2.5 percent in the past year.

The National Median Sales Price (MSP) dipped 0.2 percent to \$169,300 comparing December 2010 to 2009.

Regionally, sales in the Northeast declined 5.4 percent. The regional MSP of \$237,300 reflects a decrease of 1.4 percent.

REALTOR® Marc Chadbourne of Century 21 Nason Realty in Winslow relays, "We are seeing movement in all segments of the market, such as second and seasonal investment property, which we haven't seen in some time."

"The take away is that buyers are acting on current market conditions, knowing prices have stabilized and that the next price adjustment may be going up. Favorable financing terms along with current market pricing allows buyers to qualify for homes that only a few years ago they could only dream of owning," says Chadbourne.

For the full year 2010, unit home sales in Maine decreased 2.6 percent compared with 2009; and the statewide median sales price of \$168,750 is 2.9 percent higher than in 2009.

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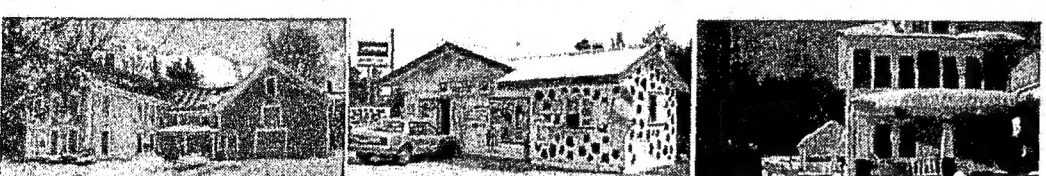
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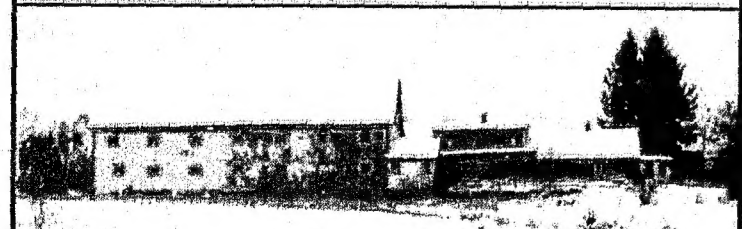
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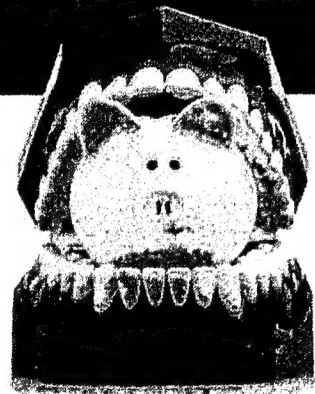
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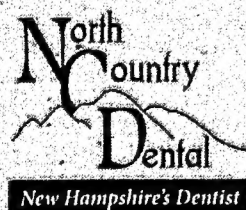
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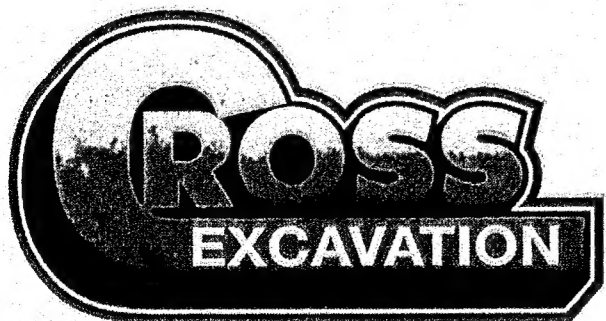
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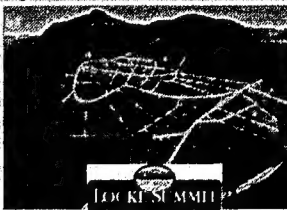
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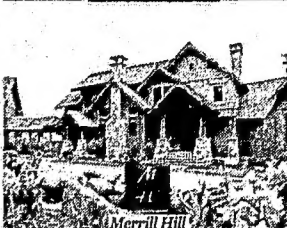
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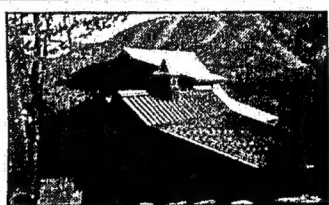
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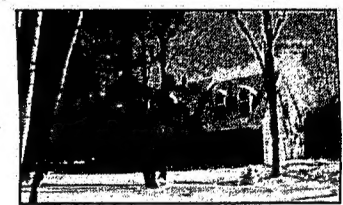
### Homes



**84 Vail Dr, Powder Ridge, Newry:**  
Stunning finishes and spectacular views abound in this quality home. Granite countertops, stainless steel appliances, media room, girls & boys bunkrooms, master suite, deck, patio & hot tub are just some of the wonderful features in this 4-BR/3-bath retreat. \$1,079,000



**48 Howard Pond Rd, Hanover:**  
Spacious 4-BR/2-bath home in a quiet setting with a nice backyard. Features include a den with stone fireplace, wood floors, 1st floor laundry, an additional room for office or 5th BR, enclosed breezeway/mudroom and a 2-car garage with storage overhead. \$265,000



**151 Deer View Road, Bethel:**  
Cape style with 3,200 sq ft of living space, master suite & 2 other BRs - each with private bath. Large family room over the 2-car garage, on a nice 2-acre corner lot with level backyard and easy-to-maintain landscaping. Conveniently located in Birch Woods subdivision. \$449,000



**Edon Ridge Townhomes, Bethel:**  
Unit 5F - The only end unit currently available. 2 BRs, 2 baths, open floor plan, a wood-burning fireplace, bright and sunny with sliding glass doors on either end. Upgrades include cork floor & new countertops in kitchen, new washer & dryer & new hot water heater. \$165,000



**124 Bailey Road, Bethel:**  
There are many amenities in this well-built 6-BR/3.5 bath home. The basement is finished with 3 BRs and a family room. 2 screened porches, hickory hardwood floors, a 2-car garage and custom window treatments & paint. Must be seen to be appreciated. \$225,000



**18 Croesby Lane, Newry:**  
This 4-BR, 3-bath home is fully furnished, with classic rustic decor. Enjoy the mountain views in this spacious home. The ease of living in Red House Farm Village is widely known - take the Mountain Explorer to and from the slopes. This is a quality, well-priced home. \$295,000



**33 King Pine Drive, The Colony:**  
This newly constructed architecturally designed home has breathtaking views of the slopes. 5 BRs, 4.5 baths and filled with custom details. Features include a stone fireplace, large custom kitchen, coffered dining room ceiling, tiled baths and much more. \$1,059,000



**48 Mason St, Bethel:**  
You will be surprised by the space, charm & appeal this home offers. 4 BRs, 2.5 baths, 1st floor laundry & master suite, 2 living areas include a living room with hardwood floors & new propane stove. New furnace and a newer 2-car garage with ample storage. \$224,900



**5 Bear Point Road, Bethel:**  
3-BR/2-bath home with 200' of frontage on the Androscoggin River. Open floor plan has floor-to-ceiling windows offering wonderful views of the river. A large screened porch is an added bonus. Very convenient to Sunday River and major snowmobile trails. \$219,000

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**9 Vista Rd, Newry:** 11-acre lot at The Peaks with panoramic views. Access to hiking and snowmobile trails near Mt. Will. Building package available. \$149,900

**Mahoosuc Glen, Lot 1:** One of the most spectacular lots remaining, directly on the Sunday River Golf Club - with views of the 18th hole. \$170,000

**Merriman Road, Bethel:** 11-acre parcel within walking distance of Bethel Village. Spectacular private setting overlooking Androscoggin river valley and the western Maine mountains. \$299,000

**Lot 9A Rowe Hill Rd, Greenwood:** A wonderful, wooded, 2-acre building lot on a quiet road just two miles from Lake Christopher, minutes from Mt. Abram and a short drive from Sunday River. \$32,500

**99 Douglass Rd, Powder Ridge:** This extremely private lot is nestled into the pines with a babbling brook crossing the edge of the property line. Some of the best views of Sunday River's slopes. \$89,000

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# Obituaries



## LARRY A. WITHEY

Larry A. Withey, 51, of Ithaca, N.Y., formerly of Bethel, passed away at his home on Saturday, Jan. 29, 2011 after a long battle with cancer.

He was born in Port Hueneme, Calif., on May 26, 1959, son of the late Rollis Withey and Janet (Foster) Withey and attended schools in Cornish, Maine.

Larry was a Veteran of the United States Army. He was stationed in Germany and proud to have served in the 82nd Airborne. Larry worked hard throughout his life, primarily as a coast-to-coast truck driver, logging a million and a half accident-free miles, something he enjoyed bragging about. He was extremely knowledgeable about directions, locations and ways to get around. He was known as "the human road map."

Larry loved tinkering on trucks, remodeling houses and took pride in his large DVD collection.

Larry was a wonderful, caring and compassionate father, son and friend. He will be deeply missed and forever loved.

He is survived by his mother, Janet (Foster) Withey of

Cornish; daughter, Stephanie Thompson, her husband Jason and Larry's grandson Ryan of Bryant Pond; son, Joshua Withey and his fiancée, Melissa Stone of Ithaca, N.Y.; brother Gary and wife Nancy of Cornish; Rodney and wife Sondra of Greenwood; Duane and wife Rebecca of Buxton; and sister, Debra and her husband Joseph of Coparas Cove, Texas; many nieces, nephews and cousins, as well as his pal and best friend, Gizmo.

Larry was predeceased by his father, Rollis, and his brother, Kevin. His grandson, Gabriel Allen Withey was born and passed away on Jan. 28, 2011.

A spring service will be held at Riverside Cemetery in Kezar Falls, Maine.



## EDITH M. DEEGAN

Edith M. (Davis) Deegan, 82, of South Paris died Wednesday, Feb. 2, at Market Square Health Care Center, South Paris.

She was born in South Woodstock on Nov. 18, 1928, the oldest daughter of Gayden and Bernice Radcliffe Davis. She graduated from Woodstock High School in 1947.

For 48 years she worked in many local restaurants, start-

ing her career as a waitress, cashier, hostess and dining room manager. For several years she was employed by Ken and Jim Raffel (Arby's) as cashier and training manager, opening their stores in Auburn, Augusta, Lewiston, Portland and South Portland. She was an avid sports fan. She was employed by Community Concepts of South Paris as a part-time bus dispatcher and had to retire because of medical reasons in 1994.

Survivors include two sons, Edward R. Deegan and wife Jody of Hebron and Ronald A. Deegan and wife Alice of Bryant Pond; a granddaughter, Michelle and her fiancé, Jeremy Benson; a great-granddaughter, Hailey; a brother Gayden George Thomas Davis and wife Debbie of Freeport; 3 nieces; 5 great nieces; 2 great-great nephews; and many cousins. She was predeceased by two dear sisters, Leona M. Farnum on Feb. 22, 1998 and Ethel Davis on Oct. 4, 2010. Online condolences may be shared with her family at [www.chandlerfunerals.com](http://www.chandlerfunerals.com).

At her request there will be no funeral or visiting hours. Graveside services will be held at the South Woodstock Cemetery at the family's convenience. In lieu of flowers friends who wish may make memorial contributions in Edith's memory to Androscoggin Home Care and Hospice, P.O. Box 819, Lewiston, ME 04243 or to a charity of your choice.

## Additional obituaries

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## BETTY LOUISE HOYT

Betty Louise (McAllister) Hoyt, 80, died Feb. 3, 2011 at Memorial Hospital in North Conway, N.H.

Born Aug. 7, 1930 in Bethel, Maine, daughter of the late George L. and Alice B. (Baker) McAllister, she had lived in Conway since 1959 moving there from Maine.

Mrs. Hoyt formerly owned 6,000 Salad Bowls Gift Shop in North Conway. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, the Emblem Club, the Bowling Club and a volunteer with the American Red Cross.

Pre-deceased by her husband, Mack D. Hoyt in 1992, she leaves five sons, Larry J. and Sally Smith of North Conway, Kerry A. and Di-ahnn Smith of Plaistow, N.H., Christopher Murphy of Oakland, Maine, Michael L. and Karen Cole and Kevin G. and Kelly Cole of Moultonborough, N.H.; a daughter, Veta M. Smith of Conway; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A celebration of Betty's life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations in Betty's name be sent to The Conway Area Humane Society, P.O.B. 260, Conway, NH 03818.

A graveside service will be in North Conway Cemetery in the spring.

## MARY R. KEOSKIE

Mary R. Keoskie died Feb. 5, 2011 at Ledgeview Living Center, West Paris.

She was born in Bethel Oct. 10, 1920, the daughter of Herman and Sadye Kelley Robertson. She graduated from Gould Academy in 1939. On May 28, 1943, she married the love of her life, Charles Keoskie. When he retired from the service, they returned to Bethel to make their home and raise their two children.

Mary was active in the Rumford Community Hospital Auxiliary and Purity Chapter O.E.S. She enjoyed playing golf, downhill skiing (until she suffered a broken ankle), traveling, dancing and playing bridge. She loved the holidays and she and Charlie always entertained the whole extended family with great hospitality. The reunions were another favorite time and family and friends were happy and pleased to be able to gather and enjoy their pool, anytime. Mary was great at sewing, crocheting and knitting, which she was still doing at Ledgeview.

She is survived by her husband, Charles of Ledgeview;

her daughter, Carol A. Morin (Jim); her son, William R. (Bill); three grandsons, two granddaughters, six great-grandsons, and seven great-granddaughters; a brother, Fenton (Ethel) of Richmond, Calif.; and a sister, Helen Cummings of Bethel; many loving nieces and nephews and a great many dear friends. She was predeceased by three brothers, Winfield, Henry and William. Online condolences may be shared with her family at [www.andrewsgreenleaf.com](http://www.andrewsgreenleaf.com).

A Memorial Service was held on Wednesday, Feb. 9, at Greenleaf Funeral Home, Bethel; with Robert Schuesler officiating. There were refreshments after at the home of Shelley and Brian Peterson, Elm Street. Interment will be in Riverside Cemetery in the spring.

## Valentine Tea

Monday, Feb. 14

1:00-3:00 PM

United Methodist Church  
Main Street  
Bethel

Music & Light Refreshments

Everyone Welcome

## The Bethel Citizen

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## Grand View Country Store

Annual Valentine's

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## A Dozen Roses

Just not so tall. 7" red vase, greens and baby's breath \$50

## Long Stem Roses

Each \$5.25

Wrapped 1/2 dozen \$31.50 • 1 dozen \$63

Boxed 1/2 dozen \$38 • 1 dozen \$69.50

Arranged 1/2 dozen \$43.50 • 1 dozen \$75

2 Rose Bud Vase \$17.50

## A Vase Full of Tulips

\$27

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9 am-5 pm

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## Deb Webster

Administrator and Lead Teacher  
B.S. MEd, Ed. Lesley College; Maine certified K-8 teacher  
9+ years public and private classroom experience  
11 years home school experience

Travis & Zac

We Love You!

Mom & Dad



## The Family of Edith Deegan

wish to thank all who cared for her:

Dr. Eshleman, Dr. Whitaker, Dr. Hardy, Market Square Health Care Center, Androscoggin Home Care and Hospice Staff and Volunteers.

## Notice to Greenwood Elderly Residents

Please contact the Town Office at 875-2773 or the Fire Department at 875-2888 if you need help having snow removed from your roof.

We have volunteers who would like to help those in need.

## Happy Birthday Doug!



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Saturday - February 12th, 2011 - 7:00 pm

Trustees Auditorium - McLaughlin Science Center - Gould Academy

Johannes Brahms - Piano Quintet in F minor

Amy Beach - Piano Quintet in F# minor

Ella Gray, violin - Sasha Callahan, violin - Daniel Doña, viola - Leo Eguchi, cello - Dan Perkins, piano

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